

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Section 63.71 Application of)	
)	File No.
Alascom, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Alaska)	
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For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)	
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)	
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)	

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF ALASCOM, INC.

AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliate, Alascom, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Alaska (“AT&T”), applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended (“the Act”), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission”) rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service (EWA) transported over satellite throughout its service territory in Alaska. AT&T will continue to provide EWA Service transported via fiber optic cable and its microwave radio network.

As required by Section 63.71 of the Commission’s rules, AT&T provides the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier:

Alascom, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Alaska
For purposes of this 214 Application the address is as follows:
505 E. Bluff Drive
Anchorage, AK 99501

Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

Effective September 30, 2018, pending regulatory approval AT&T EWA Service transported over satellite will no longer be available for purchase by new or existing customers. Also, effective September 30, 2018, AT&T will no longer accept orders for moves, additions, or changes to existing service arrangements. Similarly, effective September 30, 2018, AT&T will no longer accept new requests for physical changes to existing service arrangements including the upgrade or downgrade of access/port speed, installation of new service, or moves to different service addresses. Effective September 30, 2018, AT&T will no longer renew service agreements for EWA Service over satellite. Following the expiration of existing EWA Service term agreements, AT&T will provide this service on a month-to-month basis until the Satellite service is discontinued, which is currently planned for June 30, 2019. AT&T will waive the Early Termination Fees (ETFs) should a customer find an alternative solution before their contract expiration date.

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

AT&T will no longer offer EWA Service over satellite throughout its service territory in Alaska, which includes Ambler, Anaktuvuk Pass, Atkasuk, Barrow, Bethel, Buckland, Deering, Dillingham, Fort Yukon, Kaktovik, Kiana, King Salmon, Kivalina, Kobuk, Kotzebue, Nikolski, Noatak, Nome, Noorvik, Point Hope, Point Lay, Saint George, Selawik, Shageluk, Unalaska, and Wainwright.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service (EWA) over satellite is a switched Ethernet transport service that allows the connection of multiple sites in a single bridged domain over AT&T Alaska's managed MPLS network. It is a Layer 2 Ethernet Virtual Private

LAN Service (VPLS) with Point to Point, Point to Multipoint, and Multipoint to Multipoint connections.

AT&T is discontinuing EWA Service over satellite because of low customer demand. The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by the discontinuance of this service because AT&T will continue to offer EWA Service via fiber and microwave transport in its service territory as well as other data transport services. In addition, there are alternative providers, such as GCI, who offer EWA service over satellite in the affected service area.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers:

Customer notices were sent via U.S. Mail on August 14, 2018.¹ Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission, governor of Alaska, federally recognized tribes (if any), and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.²

Regulatory Classification of Carrier:

AT&T offers this service pursuant to non-dominant carrier regulation.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Joshua Woodbridge, AT&T Services, Inc., Director - Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street N.W., Suite 1000, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 457-2139.

¹ See Attachment A

² Section 63.71(a) directs applicants to submit a copy of the application to the Secretary of Defense, Special Assistant for Telecommunications. However, due to restructuring within the Department of Defense, that position no longer exists. Commission staff has advised that a copy of the application be sent instead to the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer.

Conclusion:

As discussed above, the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of these services because there is very low demand for these services in the affected service area, and AT&T offers this service over fiber and microwave as well as other replacement services. AT&T respectfully requests the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue this service.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Terri L. Hoskins

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Its Attorneys

August 15, 2018

ATTACHMENT A



August 14, 2018

[Company Name]

ATTN: Telecommunications Manager

[Mail Address]

[Mail City, Mail State Mail Zip]

**Important Notice Regarding AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service
Change in Service *Effective 09/30/2018*
Service Discontinuance *06/30/2019***

Thank you for using AT&T for your business service needs. We want to make you aware of planned changes to your AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service (EWA) transported over Satellite.¹ This change does not affect AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska transported via fiber optic cable and microwave radio network.

Our records indicate active AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service to the following site(s):

Service Site: <insert location>

Service Site: <insert location>

Effective September 30, 2018, pending regulatory approval where such approval is required, AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service transported over Satellite will no longer be available for purchase by new or existing customers in Alaska.

As a current AT&T customer with AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service you may retain your existing service(s) subject to the following changes in service:

- **Effective September 30, 2018, AT&T will no longer renew service agreements for AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service at sites transported over Satellite.** Following the expiration of your current AT&T Ethernet WAN Service term agreement, AT&T will provide this service on a month-to-month basis until the Satellite service is discontinued on June 30, 2019. During any month-to-month service period, AT&T may change the rates, terms, and conditions of the service upon notification.
- **Effective September 30, 2018, Moves, Additions, and Change orders for AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service over Satellite will no longer be accepted.** After September 30, 2018 new requests for physical changes to your service including the upgrade or downgrade of access/port speed, installation of new service, or moves to different service addresses will not be provisioned. AT&T will waive the Early Termination Fees (ETF) should a customer find an alternative solution before their contract expiration date.

To help ensure service continuity, **it is recommended that you transition your AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service over Satellite to an alternate provider well before June 30, 2019.**

Your AT&T Service Representative will be in contact soon to begin discussions regarding alternate solutions that meet your business communication needs.

¹ AT&T Ethernet WAN Alaska Service (EWA) transported over Satellite is offered by Alascom, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Alaska, and is available in the following Alaska villages: Ambler, Anaktuvuk Pass, Atkasuk, Barrow, Bethel, Buckland, Deering, Dillingham, Fort Yukon, Kaktovik, Kiana, King Salmon, Kivalina, Kobuk, Kotzebue, Nikolski, Noatak, Nome, Noorvik, Point Hope, Point Lay, Saint George, Selawik, Shageluk, Unalaska, and Wainwright.

We appreciate your understanding and look forward to serving your future business needs.

Sincerely,
Elena Walukiewicz
AT&T Alaska Senior Product Manager
505 E. Bluff Drive
Anchorage, AK 99501

AT&T is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the section 63.71 Application Alascom, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Alaska. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuation (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, **Lacretia Hill**, certify that I have, on August 15, 2018 served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of Alascom, Inc. by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the addresses below:

/s/Lacretia Hill
Lacretia Hill

Office of the Governor
Governor of Alaska
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope
Chairman
P.O. Box 934, 6986 Ahmaogak St.,
Barrow, AK, 99723

Regulatory Commission of Alaska
701 West 8th Avenue
Suite 300
Anchorage, AK 99501-3469

Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional
Government
P.O. Box 1130, Barrow, AK, 99723

Department of Defense Chief Information
Officer
Attn: Military Asst./Mobility Team
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

Native Village of Napaimute
P.O. Box 1301, Bethel, AK, 99559

Orutsararmiut Traditional Native Council
P.O. Box 927, Bethel, AK, 99559

Native Village of Ambler
P.O. Box 47, Ambler, AK, 99786

Native Village of Buckland
P.O. Box 67, Buckland, AK, 99727

Village of Anaktuvuk Pass
P.O. Box 21170
Anaktuvuk Pass, AK 99721

Native Village of Deering
P.O. Box 36089, Deering, AK, 99736

Atqasuk Village
Chairman
P.O. Box 91108, 419 Shugluk Street,
Atqasuk, AK, 99791

Native Village of Ekuik
P.O. Box 530, Dillingham, AK, 99576

Curyung Tribal Council
Chairman
P.O. Box 216, Dillingham, AK, 99576

Native Village of Fort Yukon
P.O. Box 126, 3rd and Alder Street,
Fort Yukon, AK, 99740

Kaktovik Village
P.O. Box 52,
Kaktovik, AK, 99747

Native Village of Kiana
P.O. Box 69, Kiana, AK, 99749

King Salmon Tribe
P.O. Box 68,
King Salmon, AK, 99613-0068

Naknek Native Village
P.O. Box 210,
Naknek, AK, 99633

Native Village of Kivalina
P.O. Box 50051, Kivalina, AK, 99750

Native Village of Kobuk
P.O. Box 51039, Kobuk, AK, 99751

Native Village of Kotzebue
P.O. Box 296, 600 W. 5th Avenue,
Kotzebue, AK, 99752-0296

Native Village of Nikolski
P.O. Box 105, Nikolski, AK, 99638

Native Village of Noatak
P.O. Box 89, Swamp Street, Noatak, AK,
99761

Nome Eskimo Community
P.O. Box 1090, Nome, AK, 99762

Village of Solomon
P.O. Box 2053, Nome, AK, 99762

King Island Native Community
P.O. Box 682,
Nome, AK, 99762

Native Village of Council
P.O. Box 2050, Nome, AK, 99762

Noorvik Native Community
P.O. Box 209, Noorvik, AK, 99763

Native Village of Point Hope
P.O. Box 109, Pt. Hope, AK, 99766

Native Village of Point Lay
P.O. Box 59031, Point Lay, AK, 99759

Saint George Island
P.O. Box 940,
St. George Island, AK, 99591-0940

Native Village of Selawik
P.O. Box 59, Selawik, AK, 99770

Shageluk Native Village
P.O. Box 35, Shageluk, AK, 99665

Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska
P.O. Box 334, Unalaska, AK, 99685

Village of Wainwright
P.O. Box 143, Wainwright, AK, 99782